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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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## WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

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## AT SEATTLE

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12	GLENN HUTTON, Derivatively on Behalf of )	Case No. C06-0794RSL
	Nominal Defendant F5 NETWORKS, INC., )	
13	Plaintiff, )	<b>STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]</b>
14	vs. )	<b>ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES FOR</b>
15	JOHN McADAM, et al., )	<b>ALL PURPOSES, APPOINTING LEAD</b>
16	Defendants, )	<b>PLAINTIFF AND LEAD COUNSEL, AND</b>
17	– and – )	<b>SETTING SCHEDULE FOR FILING OF</b>
18	F5 NETWORKS, INC., )	<b>CONSOLIDATED COMPLAINT</b>
19	Nominal Defendant. )	

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STIPULATION AND PROPOSED ORDER  
RE: CONSOLIDATION  
Case Nos. C06-0794RSL, C06-1057RSL,  
C06-1145RSL (Master File No. 06-0794RSL)

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1       LOCALS 302 AND 612 OF THE                                      )     **Case No. C06-1057RSL**  
2       INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING )  
3       ENGINEERS-EMPLOYERS    )  
4       CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY                                        )  
5       RETIREMENT TRUST, Derivatively on                            )  
6       Behalf of F5 NETWORKS, INC.,                                )  
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Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN McADAM, et al.,

Defendants,

- and -

F5 NETWORKS, INC., a Washington  
corporation,

Nominal Defendant.

ALLEN EASTON, Derivatively On Behalf of  
F5 NETWORKS, INC.,

**Case No. C06-1145RSL**

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1           WHEREAS, there are three related shareholder derivative actions on behalf of Nominal  
 2 Defendant F5 Networks, Inc. ("F5") pending in this District:

3 <b>Abbreviated Case Name</b>	Case Number	Date Filed
4 <i>Hutton v. McAdam et al.</i>	C06-0794RSL	06/8/06
5 <i>Locals 302 and 612 of the International Union of Operating Engineers-Employers Construction Industry Retirement Trust v. McAdam et. al.</i>	C06-1057RSL	07/26/06
6 <i>Easton v. McAdam et al.</i>	C06-1145RSL	08/14/06 <sup>1</sup>

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 8           WHEREAS, no party opposes F5's Motion to Consolidate [dkt no. 4 in Case No. 06-  
 9 0794RSL; dkt. nos. 14 and 25 in Case No. 06-1057RSL; dkt. no. 6 in Case No. 1145RSL] the above-  
 10 captioned cases;

11           WHEREAS, the three F5 related shareholder derivative actions arise out of the same  
 12 transactions and occurrences and involve the same or substantially similar issues of law and fact,  
 13 and, therefore, should be consolidated for all purposes under Fed. R. Civ. P. 42(a);

14           WHEREAS, Plaintiff Locals 302 and 612 of the International Union of Operating Engineers-  
 15 Employers Construction Industry Retirement Trust Motion to Appoint Lead Plaintiff and Lead  
 16 Counsel [dkt nos. 10 and 29 in Case No. 06-0794RSL; dkt. no. 4 in Case No. 06-1057RSL; dkt. no.  
 17 6 in Case No. 1145RSL] is unopposed;<sup>2</sup>

18           WHEREAS, counsel for plaintiffs and defendants have met and conferred and have agreed  
 19 to a schedule for filing a Consolidated Complaint and request a status conference to discuss a  
 20 schedule for briefing motions directed at the Consolidated Complaint; and

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 23           <sup>1</sup> At one time, there was a total of six F5 related shareholder derivative actions pending in this District. *Wright v.*  
*McAdams, et al.* (Case No. C06-872RSL) and *Adams v. Amdahl, et al.* (Case No. C06-873RSL) were remanded on  
 24 September 12, 2006. [dkt. no. 22 in Case No. C06-872RSL; dkt. no. 34 in Case No. C06-873RSL] Defendants have  
 25 agreed to stipulate to remanding *Sommer v. McAdam et al.* (Case No. C06-1229RSL), and the parties will be filing a  
 joint stipulation shortly.

26           <sup>2</sup> F5 and the individual defendants take no position regarding the appointment of lead plaintiff and lead counsel.

WHEREAS, the agreed-upon schedule is not for the purpose of delay, promotes judicial efficiency, and will not cause prejudice to any party.

THEREFORE, IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED by plaintiffs and defendants, through their respective counsel of record, as follows:

## I. CONSOLIDATION OF ACTIONS

1. The following actions are hereby consolidated for all purposes, including pretrial proceedings, trial and appeal:

<b>Abbreviated Case Name</b>	<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Date Filed</b>
<i>Hutton v. McAdam et al.</i>	C06-0794RSL	6/8/06
<i>Locals 302 and 612 of the International Union of Operating Engineers-Employers Construction Industry Retirement Trust v. McAdam et al.</i>	C06-1057RSL	7/26/06
<i>Easton v. McAdam et al.</i>	C06-1145RSL	8/14/06

2. The caption of these consolidated actions shall be "*In re F5 Networks, Inc. Derivative Litigation*" and the files of these consolidated actions shall be maintained in one file under Master File No. C06-0794RSL. Any other actions now pending (except *Sommer v. McAdam et al.*) or later filed in or removed or transferred to this Court which arise out of or are related to the same facts as alleged in the above-identified cases shall be consolidated, except for good cause shown, for all purposes, if and when they are brought to the Court's attention.

3. Every pleading filed in the consolidated actions, or in any separate action included herein, shall bear the following caption:

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

In re F5 NETWORKS, INC. DERIVATIVE LITIGATION } Master File No. C06-0794RSL

**STIPULATION AND PROPOSED ORDER  
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1       4. A Master Docket and a Master File hereby are established for the above consolidated  
2 proceedings and for all other related cases filed in or removed or transferred to this Court. This  
3 Court requests the assistance of counsel in calling to the attention of the clerk of this Court the filing  
4 or removal or transfer of any case which properly might be consolidated as part of *In re F5*  
5 *Networks, Inc. Derivative Litigation.*

6 **II. APPOINTMENT OF LEAD PLAINTIFF AND LEAD PLAINTIFF  
COUNSEL**

7       5. Locals 302 and 612 of the International Union of Operating Engineers-Employers  
8 Construction Industry Retirement Trust is appointed Lead Plaintiff;

9       6. Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP is appointed Lead Plaintiff  
10 Counsel.

11 **III. SCHEDULE FOR CONSOLIDATED COMPLAINT**

12       7. Lead Plaintiff shall file and serve a Consolidated Complaint within 45 days after the  
13 date of entry of this Order.

14       8. Defendants need not respond to any of the pre-existing complaints. Service, pursuant  
15 to Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, of any of the pre-existing complaints on any of the  
16 defendants, or their counsel if service has been waived, shall constitute sufficient service on that  
17 defendant. Service shall be effected with respect to any defendant named in the consolidated action  
18 by serving the Consolidated Complaint on that defendant's counsel.

19 **IV. STATUS CONFERENCE**

20       9. The Court shall schedule a status conference as soon as practicable after the  
21 Consolidated Complaint is served and filed to discuss a schedule for briefing motions directed at the  
22 Consolidated Complaint.

23 **IT IS SO STIPULATED.**

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19 PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED

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